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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John W. Shultz, Martin K. Lewis, Christine Andrews
Serial No.: 09/995,912 Group No.: 1634
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Entitled: RNA Polymers and Uses Thereof

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
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The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2003 due on or before May 4, 2003. A request for a two-month extension of time from May 4, 2003 to July 4, 2003 is attached. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

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